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REMARKS

Claims 1-27, 29, 31-33, 36, 39-41, 43, 45, 47, 50, 52, 55-65, 71-72, and 79-92 have been cancelled. Claims 28, 30, 34-35, 37-38, 42, 44, 46, 48-49, 51, 53, 54, and 93-106 have been withdrawn. Claims 66-70, and 73-78 remain as original claims as presented in the amendment filed on July 12, 2003. Applicants hereby add new claims 107-129. The new claims are added to preserve rights under 35 U.S.C. § 135(b)(2). Applicants' claims 107-129 are identical to claims 1-23 respectively, of U.S. Patent Application No. 20040072363A1 to Schembri, published April 15, 2004. Entry of the new claims is respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION

As stated above, Applicants have added the new claims to preserve their rights under § 135(b)(2). They wish to inform the Examiner that these new claims were copied from an application that derives priority from U.S. patent No. 6,513,968. Applicants have already copied claims from this patent and have requested an interference with U.S. patent No. 6,513,968. Applicants understand that this request has been forwarded to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences and do not wish to impede the declaration of that interference. They simply wish to preserve their rights under 135(b)(2) for the newly added claims.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 01-0431.

Respectfully submitted,

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